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AD FONTES

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Social Awareness:

Mental Illness

Special to The College Voice
This is a true account written by a female member of the Senior class. Because of the personal nature of this story, the Voice has granted her anonymity. We welcome all reactions to this article, and the issue of mental illness in general, through letters to the Editor.

You've seen me around campus. I'm active in several organizations. If you find me at the library, I could be on any of the floors. I eat in Harris, Smith-Burdick, KB, Harkness and Freeman. This may sound very mundane; maybe your habits are similar. Outwardly you'd consider me "normal", but two years ago I was labeled manic-depressive.

This illness never had much meaning to me. I soon found out it is considered a major mental disorder. I've always been relatively stable. My friends had a hard time trying to understand it; they always viewed me as quite stable. In fact, I'm often the person giving advice or helping people with their problems. My emotional awareness is acute. I don't fit most of the stereo types people hold for manic depression. I am not "crazy" or irrational. I like to think of myself as creative, brilliant and maybe a little eccentric at times, but the common

idea of what manic-depression is, differs from what it is in reality.

On July 27, 1984 I was admitted to a psychiatric hospital. I was having a manic episode. Some manic-depressives only experience one side of the illness. I've never had trouble with serious depression. My "manic episode" lasted for several weeks. It was an exhilarating experience, up until a certain point. About two weeks before my hospitalization, I didn't need as much sleep. My mind continually raced with new, bizarre, brilliant ideas. Instead of seeing the differences between things which I had seen for the past 20 years, I began seeing connections, everywhere. In retrospect, one reason why I began seeing connections was because I had recently experienced several severe separations. These included the sudden death of a close friend, the divorce of my parents and my leaving home. To "counteract" these separations, I made connections. Everything seemed too clear for me at this stage of my mania. It was as if I was in a dense, rain forest and suddenly I hit a meadow. Finally, I could run free. There were no more trees, vines or swamps blocking my path of thought. I began recognizing religious symbols; I

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From the college's Viewbook, professor of English, Gerda Taranow "Interacts with a Student." photo courtesy of the News Office.

Student/Faculty Interaction

by Karen Frost
The College Voice

According to the 1986-87 Connecticut College viewbook, "Learning is a process of continual interaction between student and teacher on many different levels in faculty offices, homes, at athletic events, cultural programs, and in dormitory dining rooms."

Although Conn. boasts a twelve to one student/faculty ratio, allowing students to par-

ticipate in one-on-one interaction with their professors, there have recently been complaints about a decrease in faculty/student interaction.

Oakes Ames, President of the College, said that faculty/student interaction is "part of the college's mission."

He said, "Students [should] invite faculty to the snack shop" after it reopens.

Ames also said that "interaction can take place in other ways besides meals, for example, [faculty] office doors open to students."

Sam Seder, '88 said that "The administration should do more to promote student faculty interaction. The creation of a restricted dining room and the small number of faculty cards for student dining halls are the largest obstacles."

According to Marijane Geiger, Director of Residence Halls, "Knowlton Dormitory has an unlimited access by the language faculty. The rest of the dining halls have a limit of ten, that is to say the faculty members are given ten meals a semester."

Geiger said that the new identification card system, "has probably made [student/faculty interaction] easier."

The faculty member no longer carries a ticket, but instead signs an authorization form. She has "not really" noticed any changes in the amount of student/faculty interaction.

Sophomore, Logan Weiss said that "there is as much professor/student interaction as the

student wants. In my experience professors are accessible at home, in class and in their offices."

"As a transfer from New York University, Conn was just like another world. Calling your professor up and having lunch just doesn't happen at other schools."

Frank Church, professor of music, invites his Music 112 students to his home for pizza parties.

He said that the party was a way to "get to know each other better." "It's my way of saying I've enjoyed having them in class." The party "means a lot to my wife and I" and he added with a smile, "it helps keep us young."

Church said that he does occasionally visit the student dining halls with his students.

Sophomore Jeff Barnhart, a student of Church's who attended one of his pizza parties, said that he thinks student/faculty interaction outside of the classroom is important.

Barnhart has eaten with his professors "many times" and the conversation with them was not limited to the class.

He also noted that the departments of anthropology and philosophy took their students to lunch.

Elizabeth Haugh, a freshman in an introduction to philosophy class said, "I think it's great that professors have lunch with their students; it is a chance to have a very intellectual conversation one-on-one. It is also a chance to meet the professor without the

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Doctor McKeehan.

Doctor McKeehan to Retire

by Liz Michalzk
The College Voice

At the end of the school year, Conn. College will be losing a valuable member of the community. After eleven years of service, Dr. McKeehan will retire.

McKeehan said he has witnessed much change while he has been here. "Perhaps the greatest change has been the increasing emphasis on athletics. Sports have become much more prominent, both for men and women," he said. "Of course, I missed the school's going co-ed. That must have been a tremendous change."

There have also been changes in terms of the student health

center. "When I first started, there were two doctors, myself and another who came in three times a week. He left in '78, so I've been by myself since then. There are also counsellors to treat emotional problems, and a contraceptive clinic three days a week," he said.

"This year is different, because the infirmary has been converted to housing for students. That means that our threshold for admittance will have to be tighter. I'm hoping it will be enough."

"There has been a new emphasis on outpatient care as opposed to taking patients in. Most students prefer the familiar surroundings of their dorms, and go back as soon as possible.

This is one of the reasons we don't need as many beds," said McKeehan.

The student health center is well equipped to handle almost any type of crisis. "We've treated the full range of minor traumas, infections, everything. About our only limitation is our lack of surgical equipment. Then, of course, we'd refer the student to the hospital. The general student body is pretty healthy though. We try not to treat beyond our level of expertise," he said.

One issue of concern is the growing abuse of drugs and alcohol. "I've seen more abuse this year than in recent years already," McKeehan said.

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Viewpoint

Voice Editorial:

Accused of Disinformation

To the Editor:

We would like to extend our warmest sympathies to *The Voice* for the September 30 ["SGA Inaction" editorial] attempt to discuss SGA's action toward the parking lot situation. We truly understand how difficult it is to accurately report the facts without doing extensive research about the topic and then in turn how easy it is to assume SGA has been inactive.

As Russel Anderson, House President of Marshall, so eloquently stated, "Disinformation leads to frustration." It is our opinion that *The Voice's* and the students' dissatisfaction and aggravation concerning the parking situation stems from a lack of accurate information about the actual problem and about SGA's treatment of the situation.

Although it is extremely difficult to place the blame on any one factor, it is obvious that the failure to complete North Lot has been a major contributor to the problem. Since last year, there has been a large increase in the amount of cars on campus, due in part to the students' belief that a new lot would be finished soon after their arrival. Almost six weeks later, it has been increasingly apparent that the parking situation is indeed intolerable. Besides forcing the freshmen to park in Dayton Arena, the lack of spaces in South Lot has forced sophomores and juniors to seek parking spaces on upper campus and to fall prey to campus security and ten dollar tickets.

However, the fact that North Lot was not completed by the time or soon after we arrived is not the fault of SGA, but is due rather to the lack of communication between the college and the town of Waterford. Construction was postponed nearly six weeks because Waterford did not have sufficient information to convince them to allow a gravel lot. Now that an ordinance has been passed allowing such a lot, the construction has been continued. The new lot will eventually provide more than 200 spaces for those freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who live in the Plex or Central Campus.

SGA does understand, however, that although the completion of North Lot will alleviate the overcrowding and will appease the majority of the students, there is still dissatisfaction among the juniors about their lack of upper campus parking privileges. Nevertheless, if one compares the numbers, one will see that even for the seniors, who do have the coveted privilege, there are 260 cars for 203 spaces. It would therefore be impossible at this point to allow any more students to park on upper campus. We also realize that some students attribute this lack of spaces to a supposed re-allocation of 200 previously designated student spaces to faculty and staff. This assumption is unfounded, for in reality, only 52 spaces have been reassigned. The faculty and staff have not been given any more student spaces than they were

already using last year, but unlike last year they have been restricted to parking only in their designated spaces by becoming as susceptible to being ticketed as a student who parks in a faculty or staff space.

We would also like the students to realize that SGA does not meet every Thursday to twiddle our thumbs, as is generally believed, but that we are as concerned as everyone else about the handling of important issues on campus. We also feel that in order to be seen as a legitimate form of government by the students, the faculty, and the administration, we need to act through legitimate channels. We are not hesitant, as has been implied, "to stand up and demand action," but roping off faculty houses or parking spaces would accomplish nothing except to put strain on student/administration relations. Furthermore, it is useless to compare this issue to the meal sticker situation and to propose an action similar in effect to the Blackout to provoke the administration. The administration has already taken action to solve the parking problem, and although it was stalled by forces beyond our control, at this point there is little the administration or SGA can do to expedite the completion of North Lot, unless someone donates bull dozers and dump trucks.

This does not mean that SGA has dismissed the issue, believing North Lot will miraculously solve all of the campus parking problems. We recognize that there are still issues such as the increased ticket prices, unreasonable ticketing, and discrepancies about where and when students can park, which will still need to be addressed after the opening of the new lot. To deal with these and other concerns, there is the joint faculty/student Parking Committee on which the student body is excellently represented by Russel Anderson, House President of Marshall, Warren Cohen, President of the Class of 1989, and senior Mara Barker. If there really is an "SGA time-honored tradition of sending important matters to a committee... to suffer a slow death," these students, with their commitment and energy, will put an end to it. Besides, meeting several times so far, for hours at a time, these students painstakingly compiled the statistics necessary to verify or negate the current allocation of parking spaces.

Through the efforts of these dedicated and concerned students, SGA is applying power to approach and alleviate these problems. SGA is not just sitting on their hands.

Sincerely,

Pamela S. Kane
House President of Lambda

Kristin A. Matthews
House President of Park

In Response to Kamaras

To The Editor,

I have been exposed to two genres of rhetoric in Conn. College. The "black" orator is appealing to the emotions of his audience, he aspires to being a soul transformer. The white orator appears to be detached, objective, scientific, a cartesian stone, any way you take it. Both are unsuccessful in convincing their audience. Political action arises from the blending of those polarities, entails particularistic perspective, triggered by emotions but always distilled by a rational process. In no way, however, political involvement should be left to the jurisdiction of experts, to whom Kamaras's resorts ["The Demagogue Has Arrived" *CON-THOUGHT column*], in no way, the interest in any political process should be the privilege of few enlightened intellectuals.

Kamaras's, following Kirpatrick's distinction between totalitarian and authoritarian regimes, like her, favors the latter. He uses implicitly 19th century definitions of the liberal state, as being the one in which the executive, legislative and judiciary power are separated, ignoring not only that in South Africa that does not occur,

not even in the modern capitalist State, but also that democracy means control on the grass-root level curtailments of individual and collective rights in South Africa there exists press censorship.

Kamaras addresses the precariousness of moral cause justifications of American interventionism. I agree. Mysteriously enough, moral considerations about the plight of Nicaraguans disappear, sanctions are enforced.

I can't forget the statement of the ANC member that spoke to our college last semester about the situation in South Africa: "Don't worry about us," he said. "We will pay the necessary cost to obtain our freedom."

In the same way, our fellow student can't understand the necessity of abandoning sometimes good manners in the table of political negotiations and speaks of student "blackmail" of the administration, that occurred with the Fanning takeover. He can't understand the necessity of "blackmail" in the larger and more essential context of the South African struggle.

Antigoni Samellas

More Money

One member of the College staff moonlights at a local restaurant as a waiter; his profession is that of a writer. Another staff member works sixty-hour weeks on a regular basis without overtime compensation. A highly visible faculty member is also a parttime writer for a local newspaper.

It all does, of course, come down to money.

In a business, such as this College, is limited resources must be spread around to insure that it gets the highest return for the investment. For example, changing the windows in Blackstone from the old wooden type to the more energy efficient metal kind, was part of an equation. Will the savings in energy justify the cost of the new windows? This is an easy mathematical problem.

A more complicated equation is that of faculty and staff salaries. Once again, the College must weigh the investment against the return. Will paying more money for highly trained people result in a better College?

Yes, we think so.

Acknowledging that there are finite dollars with which to operate the school, we nonetheless urge the Administration and the Trustees to examine ways to boost faculty and staff salaries. We believe, as certainly the Administration must agree, that a better paid employee will work more efficiently, with greater attention, as well as be less likely to depart from Conn for a better paying job.

We have coldly discussed salaries as part of some abstract formula. But we must remember that this editorial is about people; people who enjoy working with students but must increasingly ask the question: "Can I afford to work at Conn?"

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Viewpoint

Reagan Failure

To The Editor

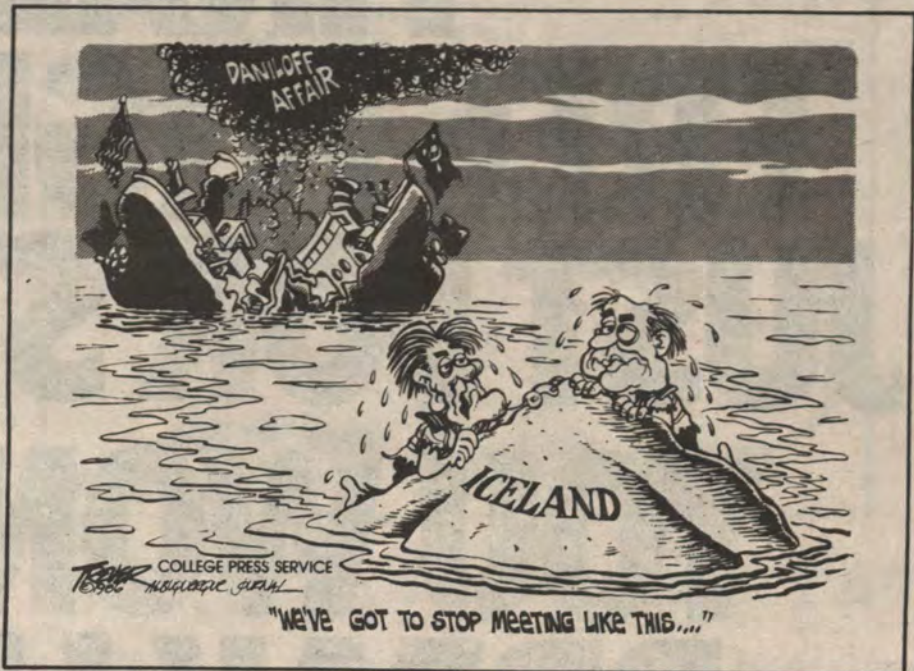
The Reykjavik summit is a good example of the willingness of Americans to rush blindly into political events. While the Reagan administration scurried for a political victory, the Soviets once again moved forward with calculated precision. The Russians are having a blissful propaganda bonanza while Reagan is on the defensive between divided opinions in the West.

The summit arose in the aftermath of the Daniloff case. In that case the Soviets got their way plus a rippling of nice side effects. They got their spy back and we got our innocent reporter back. They now know that they can unleash any diplomat in the U.S. to spy because (immunity or not) it was a sure bet for them that caught spies will be expelled at worst. In effect the immunity visa is now a meaningless piece of paper. We also received the token gesture of Orlov and his wife whom

the Soviets are probably glad not to feed anymore.

And then to my surprise a summit thrown in with the deal. Anyone could have bet the summit would be a no lose situation for the Soviets. It was a test given by the Soviets to Reagan. The only question was how they were going to fail him. The Soviets pulled the oldest trick in their book. They gave one of their good old 'all or nothing' offers that are achieving nothing but increased tensions between liberals and conservatives in the West. We saw this behavior last fall in their long awaited fifty percent cut offer and again last spring when they offered to pull their navy out of the Mediterranean if we would. These offers sound so sweet to the ignorant Westerner while the Soviets know perfectly well we're going to say 'flat no'.

Thus, the Soviets went into this summit knowing one of two things was going to result from it. They were going to come out with all these arms



systems cut and SDI abolished essentially forever, or they knew Reagan would be on the defensive to explain why he turned down such a great opportunity for arms reduction. The Soviets would like very much for the former, but they knew they would not get it unless Reagan couldn't think straight from a sleepless night.

The question around the summit then is not the out-

come, for it is clear that Reagan lost. The question is why have the summit in the first place. It emerged from the Daniloff agreement. The Russians won before it began by shifting world media from their kidnapping scandal to their views on arms reduction. Arms negotiations are detailed and technical problems. Not the kind of things world leaders should discuss under

media hype. Summits get sensational media all around the globe. Therefore, Reagan loves to have summits because the media has always been his best weapon. However, this time the Soviets have played the media game against Reagan and won.

Sincerely yours,

Bill Nightingale '87



Tipo, No, Typo

To The Editor:

I enjoyed very much the well written piece on humor by Michelle Conlin in the recent College Voice. One of the authorities you quote, Dr. Murstein, is of course well known, and I have known him intimately since he came to the campus almost a quarter of a century ago. However, you quote another expert, Thurstein, who also expressed some views which I concurred with, but you did not provide a picture or otherwise identify him/her.

Being fascinated with the etiology of names, I was intrigued with the name "Thurstein" because of its unusualness. I have determined by use of a reference book that only one person in 100,000,000 bears this name.

It obviously is of Anglo-Saxon, Nordic origin. "Thor" or "thur" was, of course, the chief Nordic god in mythology. "Stein" is German for stone. The name "Thor's stone" derives from the ancient myth that when Thor fancied a sexual liaison with a Nordi goddess but didn't find her home, he left a calling card signifying his interest in her by placing an immense stone in front of her abode. This singular honor came to be called "Thor's stone" and all who received one were naturally, deeply honored. The day of the liaison was known as "Thor's day" or in modern language "Thursday".

The name has been corrupted in the English version but is very popular as "Thurstone or Thurston." Others, no doubt envious of Thor, have tried to usurp the idea so that there are many names that end in "ston" (i.e. Williston) but their stones obviously don't carry the impact of Thor's.

Could you please identify whether Professor Thurstein is a member of the college faculty and, if so, of what department and whether it is a he or she? Perhaps you have a picture?

Thanks once again for an interesting article.

Sincerely,

Bernardo Mustinelli
Adjunct Professor of Italian and French

Think Before You Vote

To The Editor

I am writing in response to Professor Morris' Letter to The Editor which appeared in last week's issue of The Voice ["Vote Democratic Party"]. Professor Morris ludicrously urges us to vote "across the board" for Democratic Candidates in the upcoming election. My mother is a candidate for the Maryland State Legislature. One of the most rewarding aspects of this campaign is that people are voting for the candidate and not voting for the party. My mother is a Republican; however, the chairman of her campaign is a Democrat. Half of her fund raisers have been given by Democrats.

Before casting your ballot on November 4, I urge you to consider your candidate's personal qualities and background instead of his/her party affiliation. Make your vote a sincere one, reflecting careful thought and consideration. Ask yourself the following questions:

1. Does the candidate have a viable platform?
2. Is the candidate capable of doing a good job?
3. Consider the candidate's views on various issues of importance. Are they compatible with your own?

4. What is the candidate's socio/economic status; will he/she be committed to the underprivileged?

5. Does the candidate have the experience and insight to represent you effectively?

6. Has the candidate shown active involvement in and commitment to community affairs; has he/she held leadership positions in areas of public service?

7. If the candidate is an incumbent, how long has he/she served in office? Is it time a new candidate was elected?

If you are feeling uninformed, contact the candidates, and question them on issues which are meaningful to you. It is great to see the number of phone calls my mother receives every day from interested voters.

Americans are privileged to have the vote. So I

urge you, think twice before casting your next

ballot. Be open to candidates of both parties.

Don't let your vote be a throw-in-the-bucket, as

Professor Morris' will be.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Roesser '87

Moses Fell Like a Domino

To The Editor:

As members of the Blackstone Dormitory's second floor, we would like to take this time to respond to Mr. Fallow's article entitled, "Litterbugs Abound at Conn.". In this article, it was stated "Harkness second floor was the individual winner in the pizza box contest. Blackstone second floor was a close second." He then went on to claim that he "felt like Edwin Moses hurdling over all of them." As concerned dormitory residents, we would like to state that the boxes were stacked either on top of or to the side of the waste receptacle. The only situation in which Mr. Fallow would have had to hurdle over the pizza boxes would have been if his body were pressed

flat against the wall. A suggestion to Mr. Fallow is that he walk in the middle of the hallway, not against the wall. This will both facilitate getting from one end of the hall to the other, as well as greatly increasing his line of sight down the hallway.

However, this is not the point which we wish to make. Actually there is no point. But we would like to state that we are not happy with the fact that Harkness is number one in the pizza contest. In the future, it will not be Edwin Moses that one must be to hurdle the boxes, but rather like Moses himself climbing the slopes of Sinai.

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Different Political View

by Frederika Brookfield
The College Voice

The extent to which this campus is politically apathetic is embarrassing. Given our growing academic status one would think that perhaps the student body is becoming more politically attuned and interested. Is this really the case? As mentioned in the *Voice's* editorial some weeks ago, the attendance at politically informative or oriented meetings is rather poor. Conn. College has been fortunate in engaging well informed and respected people to talk on one of today's most crucial topics, South Africa. Yet these meetings are so poorly attended there hardly seems to be much purpose in continuing with them.

Themba Velazquez, a member of the African National Congress, spoke last year on South Africa's system of Apartheid. He stated that the only way a permanent dissolution of Apartheid could be achieved in South Africa was for American businesses, to divest their assets. This year the Reverend Leon Sullivan delivered a powerful speech on the same subject. And he too stated that if the South African Government makes no substantial move to terminate Apartheid by May 1987 he will advocate a policy of

divestment.

Having both these men speak at the college was a treat, as it happens so rarely. But wouldn't it have been more informative to have had two speakers with different opinions speak on the same subject? Why not have all sides of the argument presented and explained so that we, as students, could form educated opinions? But is it worth the trouble to plan a series of lectures on one particular topic if attendance and interest is poor? Isn't it rather embarrassing when a revered figure like Reverend Sullivan comes to speak at our Convocation and less than half the auditorium is filled?

Last month's performance of Sweet Honey in the Rock, sponsored by SOAR, was, however, perhaps a sign of Connecticut's growing concern to increase political awareness on the campus. Incorporating politics into entertainment is a successful tactic in stimulating the students' interests.

If there are students among us who are interested in having more cultural and political events express your interest and with this initiative the school or other students may be more willing to channel their money in that direction. As college is for such a short time, take advantage of all that is offered.

Table Talk

by Chris Fallows
The College Voice

I am seated at a table with several other people in one of the dining rooms on campus. It doesn't really matter which one; it could be Harris or Smith-Burdick or Harkness. At some point I make a passing remark about two of the candidates who are running for election. The guy across from me looks nervously to his left and right and the girl next to me says, in an aggravated tone, "I really don't want to get into an argument. I also don't want to talk about it while I'm eating." The other fellows at the table nod their heads.

Something like this has happened to me many times since I've been at Connecticut College (I am a second-semester junior) and is typical of the attitude here. In general there is little student concern for what goes on outside our immediate environment. This manifests itself in an unwillingness to engage in any form of conversation that suggests or connotes the word argument.

In this context it is possible to substitute the word discussion for argument. They are in fact one in the same but for some reason, when carrying on a discussion you are not allowed to raise the tone of your voice by any more than a half-degree while simultaneously articulating, uttering, mouthing or

is not likely to be taken off the list anytime soon.

The reason that the argument is a rare bird is inherent in the structure itself. In order to argue or express an opinion one must have something to argue or express an opinion about. Something readily available is world events (national and international). One word that could loosely stand for this is politics (aren't we assured constantly that "It's all politics anyway"?). With a declining interest in politics, or anything that remotely smacks of it, opportunity for discussion is severely limited.

**"The opinion
is an endangered
species at Conn"**

Also, lack of interest in the world we live in is not just restricted to the dining room. The library's not a good place ("Shh, I have to work," so said after an hour's gossip concerning complex soap-opera relationships). Neither is the bookstore, the laundry room, the classroom, the weight room, or your own room. It is not the place, it is the attitude.

In the end, the restricted atmosphere that you often find here at Connecticut College not

by Vicker DiGravio
The College Voice

When I sat down to write this column, I tried to think of the way to best convey what a Red Sox appearance in the World Series means to Red Sox fans.

My first instinct was to explain why Red Sox fans consider this such a monumental achievement. After all, Sox fans are known across the country for their cold cynicism when it comes to supporting the Olde Towne Team. I thought an article outlining the hazards of being a Red Sox Fan would be appropriate. On closer examination, though, I realized that Boston fans are fortunate, or at least Sox fans of my generation.

The instances are few in our memory when the Red Sox have not fielded a somewhat competitive team.

I mean it could be worse. We could live in Cleveland (which is bad enough) and have to root for the Indians (which is downright

depressing).

No. Writing a column about how tough it is for anyone my age to be a Red Sox fan would be parochial and self-centered. Indeed, our generation of BoSox fans has had it pretty good. Sure, we all remember Bucky Dent, but hey, this is already the second time in our short memory that the Red Sox have played in the Fall Classic.

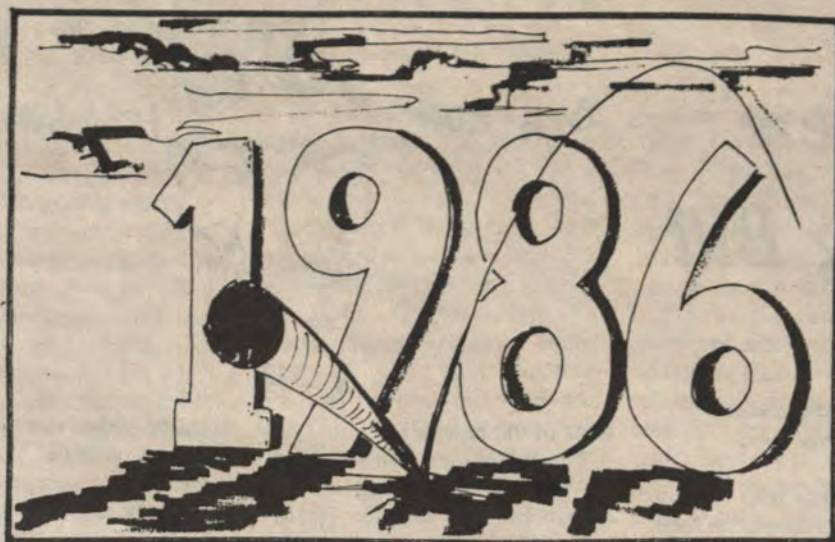
Think of our grandparents. My grandfather is probably the biggest fair weather fan I've ever known. For years this has been a source of constant frustration for me. I have never understood the source of his ever present cynicism until the other day.

My revelation came after a conversation I had with a friend of mine who is a Yankee fan, but who is nonetheless a very good person. This friend mentioned that the last time the Yankees won the World Series he was only twelve years old. And because a good Red Sox fan

never misses a chance to play the martyr, I answered that the last time the Sox won the World Series my grandfather was one year old.

After this conversation, I started thinking. My grandfather is close to seventy years old. This is only the fourth time in those seventy years that the Red Sox have appeared in the World Series. With a record like that it's no wonder he and others his age are such hardened cynics.

For younger Red Sox fans there is a lesson to be learned from all of this. That is that misery is relevant. So the next time you hear a young Sox fan complain about Bucky Dent, remind him that this is the third time in twenty years that the Red Sox have played in the World Series. Remind them that their life could be worse. Like older Sox fans they could have already lived through seventy years of Red Sox futility. Or even more disturbing, they could be from Cleveland.



Thoughts of a RedSox Fan

The Power of Sports

by Thorn Pozen
Contributing Editor
The College Voice

A couple of weeks ago a soccer ball sailed through the window of my dorm room, and I wondered if that's what the catalogue had in mind when it talked about the potential to be involved with sports at Connecticut College. And as I stood there assessing the damage to my room, I thought about the importance of sports here.

One week later the Men's Soccer Team was taking on the Coast Guard, and I was outside watching. I kept telling everyone with me how much work I had, and that I had to leave, but I stayed. I tell you, very little is as satisfying as beating Coast Guard (or Trinity or Wesleyan, for that matter). I don't play soccer. I don't know many people on the soccer team, I didn't even know a lot of people out at the game, but for the three hours or so that we were all out there, we were one group, with one center and one cause.

It seems like, in so many ways, this has been a year of

most recently crippling floods throughout the Midwest. In a very poignant way these disasters have brought our country closer -- closer in sadness and mourning, however.

I'm not a real baseball fan, but watching the baseball playoffs, watching 30,000 Boston fans cheering in Fenway Park, I couldn't help but see a setting aside of differences and a coming together. The lost message in the voices of people who see professional sports as a bunch of celebrity drug takers; and those who see far too great an emphasis on college athletics; even those people who complain a lot about broken windows during

soccer and lacrosse season, is clear: in a diverse society few things besides sports, disasters and war bring us together. We lost that game to Coast Guard, but I haven't quite lost that feeling of unity, and that makes the window almost worth it.



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News

New Drug Bill

by Tom Marjerison
The College Voice

Drug traffickers who commit a murder while engaged in their trade may now face the death penalty under the terms of a new \$1.4 billion anti-drug bill passed by Congress. Senator Hawkins has called the capital punishment provision "the only cure for an ailment which is killing the nation."

In addition, the bill contains sections which promote an expanded role for the U.S. military in stopping the flow of illegal drugs. There is also a provision which allows illegally obtained evidence to be admitted in court for certain drug-related cases. This provision conflicts with seventy year-old Supreme Court rule which deems such evidence inadmissible.

"Every drag you take, every time you bake, Big Brother Ron is watching you," said Senior Roland Carfagno about the con-

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tents of the new bill.

The president has also called for the mandatory drug testing of workers in sensitive jobs, such as national security and air transportation. In order to emphasize the role of testing Reagan and other top administration officials took urinalysis tests. After notification of the results, Reagan an-

nounced to the American public, "I'm not on dope."

Reaction on campus has been largely negative to the latest anti-drug drive. "It seems that it won't be long before admissions offices will weigh urinalysis tests more heavily than SAT's, interviews, or grades," remarked Sophomore Andy Wang.

Career Day

NEW LONDON -- The office of Career Services will be sponsoring its annual Career Day this Saturday, October 25, in the Blaustein Humanities Center.

Career Day will focus upon alumni panels representing ten different areas of interest, including business management, advertising and public relations, human services, and international careers.

Alumni will represent such prestigious companies as the

Metropolitan Opera Company, Saks Fifth Avenue, Shearson Lehman Bros., and W.G.B.H. of Boston. The topics for panel discussions will include: the advantages of a liberal arts education in the working world, investigating job opportunities in your field of interest, and how to assess your present position and future plan of action.

Career Day will be held in two sessions, one beginning at ten o'clock a.m. and the other beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Doctor Retires

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"That's something I find very discouraging. The stricter drug and alcohol policy either hasn't taken effect yet, or the students are reacting with dislike to it, or the college just hasn't gotten involved enough."

"I'm sure too," he said, "that there's a lot of abuse I'm not aware of, since most people aren't brought here until they're either unconscious or have been injured. We do stress confidentiality; we don't want the student to be afraid to come in, so we don't report it to their parents or the administration."

On the whole, Dr. McKeenhan has enjoyed working with the students at Conn. College.

"They have been very stimulating and interesting people. Students tend to be more inquisitive, and tend to take a more active role in their health care. That is something we've tried to emphasize here."

When asked what plans he has for retirement, McKeenhan said, "Well, I've been thinking about travelling, possibly to Alaska. And there are a number of hobbies I'm interested in. I'm sure that I'll have more than enough to keep me busy."

Student /Faculty Interaction

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pressures that are present in a class."

When seniors were asked about a possible decline in student/professor interaction, Nancy Northrop, '87, said that the relationship "has always been really good...and students that seek out interaction will find the professors eager and easy to talk to."

Will Morse, '87, found that interaction "seems to be getting better...there is a number [of professors] whom I would actually consider my friends."

Senior Randel Osborne said, "As I become more involved with my major, I find myself seeking out my professors to a greater extent. Professors are always receptive when one finds them, but finding them is the trick."

Joan King, the Dean of Freshman, said, "I think there has been a change [in student/faculty interaction]."

"When I first came to Conn. College over a decade ago, it was very common for students to invite faculty to lunch and sometimes dinner."

"Judging from my experience and that of my colleagues, these invitations are now very much more the exception than the rule."

"In the past, under-classmen saw upper-classmen having lunch with faculty in the dorms, so they invited some of their instructors and the tradition was passed on from year to year," said King. "At some point, however, it was just no longer done, and once a tradition has died it is difficult to start up again."

History professor Fred Paxton, said, "Once Cro reopens I think that the students will find that there are plenty of professors who will go to Cro, because Blaustein is a bit stuffy and those people who will only go to Blaustein are not the kind of people who want to have relaxed interaction with the students anyway."

Despite the temporary absence of a place to interact Freshman Sharon Shafer said that she thinks "professors here usually care about their students. From a personal standpoint, I cracked my ribs and each of my professors offered me support, both academically and emotionally."

Oakes Ames stressed that faculty interaction occurs in many ways and to varying degrees, but the interaction is "a very special strength of the college and one that we must preserve and nurture."

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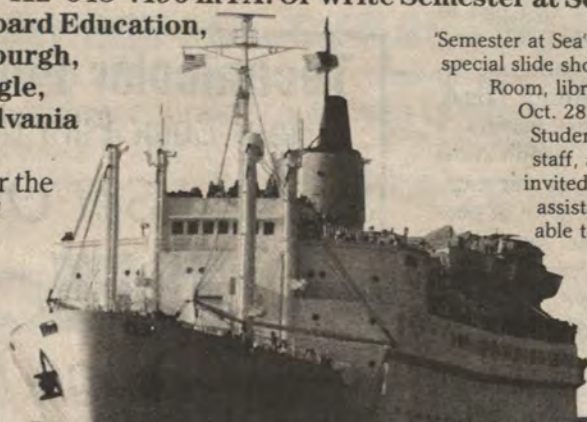
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Features

Mental Illness, A Personal Account

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remembered past lives, and I felt I knew the strangers around me. I touched upon a flame within myself and people were attracted to this glow like moths.

This period of a manic episode is called hypomania. I was still able to function realistically, although there were dramatic changes in my personality. My family knew there was something wrong with me. What it was, evaded them. During this hypomanic stage I felt better than I had my entire life. I was able to hold down two jobs effortlessly and my enthusiasm for life peaked. Beyond that peak, there was a sharp ledge. It's a place that was never meant for human consciousness; it's restricted to dreams. Waking reality became my dream, and my nightmare.

In manic depression, the mania or depression is sometimes accompanied by a psychotic break. Psychosis is a loss of sight with reality; it may include delusions. For instance, I believed the atomic bomb was going to be dropped; however, I was the only one who knew it. It

was a frantic, confused feeling, similar to a bad dream. My memories are fragmented, especially after I was given sedatives, but I have forgotten little. Most vividly I remember the intensity of the feelings I experienced when I was psychotic. Again, similar to the dream state, when people have nightmares they may reflect that the dream is irrational but jolting feelings of terror remain.

Looking back, the whole experience was a release. All controls that society had placed on me and told me what is appropriate and isn't appropriate evaporated. I see myself as "stronger" and more courageous to let go of these controls temporarily, as compared to someone who keeps rigid control their whole life.

I've often thought that the whole episode was hardest on my family. My parents have felt responsible. I'm sure they've questioned themselves, "What did I do wrong?" However, more recently there have been scientific breakthroughs which identify the origin of manic-depression as an inherited

chemical predisposition. The illness can be traced on both sides of my family. The chances that it has been genetically passed down to me are strong. However, this only suggests that I have a predisposition for MD. There are many questions that are still left unanswered, like why did I have the episode when I did? Why doesn't anyone else in my immediate family have the illness? Why is it I am more "adjusted" than my immediate family members? Some doctors feel it is primarily an emotional disorder that can be treated after many years of psychotherapy. However, statistical analysis has proven that with therapy alone the chance of reoccurring episodes exceed 80 percent.

Lithium Carbonate is a white salt which effectively treats about 80 percent of the people who suffer from mania. I've been taking lithium for two years now. Doctors are bewildered as to how this salt reacts with the body to stabilize a person having manic episodes. Unlike any other "drug", lithium is neither a stimulant, anti-depressant or tranquilizer.

It is classified as a mood stabilizer. If any "normal" person took lithium, it would have little effect on them. The side effects are minimal and miraculously, moodswings are controlled. Studies have proven that if I go off lithium, even if I remain in psychotherapy, eventually I will have another episode. Lithium provides me with a quick, effective treatment in this high pressure environment. I find it ironic that Connecticut College refuses me psychotherapy because I'm on medication. Also, Conn. College refuses me psychiatric assistance so I can't get my medication here. I hope this can soon be radicated. I know I am not alone when I address the need for a better counseling service.

The hardest thing I've had to deal with since my diagnosis is the stigma which is attached to any mental illness. There is even stigma when one is in psychotherapy. I cannot stress how "normal" I am. I have a high GPA, I work on campus, I'm very social and I take a full load of classes. I feel the ex-

perience I had was valuable. There are many things I now have a first-hand understanding of. Hospitalization, psychosis and a shift in perception are a few of the things I wish I could openly share with other people.

The social awareness panel addresses many valuable issues which are otherwise not discussed, but can anyone reading this article seriously imagine a manic-depressive speaking on the social awareness panel? My friends have learned from my experience. In the future I hope people accept the mentally ill as friends, colleagues and, above all, ordinary people.



A Personal Look at the Superpower Summit

by Marc Martin
The College Voice

Something strange happened at the meeting at Reykjavik. Apparently, the President's intention was to seek an arms control or reduction agreement with the Soviet Union in the interest of his country, his allies and humanity, and to insure his good standing in history. If these were his intentions, he failed on all counts. I think he had some underlying objectives that are a bit less noble.

In the weeks before the summit the White House was under fire due to two incidents that brought the Administration's credibility into question. The first incident was exposed by Bob Woodward of the *Washington Post*, the man who helped to expose the Watergate scandal. He discovered that the State Department had instigated a "disinformation" campaign in which it deliberately misled the

American press and, in turn, the American people concerning Libya. Evidently, this disinformation campaign had the quiet approval of the men who make our most sensitive foreign policy decisions. This affair led to the resignation-in-protest of State Department spokesman Bernard Kalb. The other incident followed the downing of a jet over Nicaraguan territory that was operated by American mercenaries. Unfortunately for the Administration, one mercenary survived the crash. He stated that he had been indirectly hired by the C.I.A. to help overthrow the Nicaraguan Government. The exposure of the illegal C.I.A. actions, which were tacitly condoned by the Administration, caused a great deal of embarrassment. Fortunately, the summit in Iceland provided a great opportunity to divert attention and save face.

Yet at Reykjavik the President would not agree to historic

mutual reductions in nuclear weaponry over an untested and technologically infeasible pipe dream. The Soviets' condition to their acceptance of the agreement was that America would uphold the ABM Treaty of 1972 for ten more years, with one exception: that both countries would be allowed to conduct ballistic missile research in laboratories, but not in space. The President insisted that America can and will conduct tests in space for the Star Wars system, and the talks broke off. It seems odd that the President would walk away from an opportunity to greatly reduce the global number of nuclear weapons to protect a system endowed only with the ability to protect American land based missiles in the event of nuclear war.

Why am I skeptical about the President's intentions? Primarily because his reasons for not agreeing to reduce nuclear arms

were so feeble I think he would not have made any agreement with the Soviet Union. How would coming away from Iceland with no agreement help the President and his party politically as the Congressional elections approach? Those who saw the President's address to the nation last Monday night witnessed how he twisted an apparent failure into a political victory. He suggested that he valiantly upheld our American ideals of freedom and democracy in the face of Mr. Gorbachev's devious attempt of entrapment. The benefits are already evident. The *New York Times*/CBS News and the ABC News Poll both show that the majority of the American people believe the President acted correctly, bravely and patriotically. The President gambled and won politically.

Unfortunately, our lives and our future were the chips with which he gambled.



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Worldoutlook

China: Economic Policy

by Brett Troyan
The College Voice

In an effort to improve China's economic situation, China is now allowing foreign investors into China and the Chinese government has started to invest in consumer goods.

China for the past few years has been living a second "cultural revolution." Deng, the paramount leader of China, made economic policies blend communist elements with a rapidly growing capitalism. An example is the companies, who abiding by the rules of communism, still have a set amount to produce, but once they have fulfilled their obligation to the State, they can decide what they want to do and make a profit.

The government's goal is to improve the living conditions of its one billion inhabitants. The Chinese family's goal is to acquire "the three bigs": refrigerator, a color television set and a washing machine.

Sandy Crump-Moody, a freshman at Connecticut College, who went to China two years ago, said, "I could feel the change in the air. A new dynamism and a desire for a better life-style was apparent in the Chinese population. They are opening up to tourism, they are trying to attract the tourists. They take you shopping in order to make you spend money."

"Communism has provided the essentials like food, lodging and clothing for one billion people, but now people want more. Women are wearing different clothes, in various colors for the first time. When I was there, the big event was a Chinese family,

who was not working for the government, was able to buy a car."

The transition between a communist country and a capitalistic orientation is not always smooth. The desire for better things and the frenzy of buying has led to corruption and larceny. Serious thefts jumped 27 percent in the first nine months of 1985. (Newsweek).

Sandy Crump-Moody said, "I think the change is going too quickly. These incidents are not for the better, and the change should be more progressive."

Sylvia Donati, a senior at Conn College, however, who spent her junior year abroad in China felt that these incidents, such as theft, were relative and unimportant compared to the benefits of a better lifestyle. She says, "The Chinese are buying things all the time, not only weekends. These new economic measures have meant a tremendous improvement for their lifestyle. All the things we are used to are beginning to be available there."

Some Chinese people think that foreign investment plays too much of a role in China's economy. Deng permits certain foreign companies to invest and many joint ventures such as Sheraton-Chinese hotel.

Foreign presence, in a previously isolated society, provokes hostility and fear in some parts of China, such as student protests in Peking.

Deng's government has tried to limit foreign imports and slow down the feverish rate of spending. Hopefully for China, Deng's new economic policies will improve China's economy.

Violence

by Lisa M. Allegretto
The College Voice

Saturday Sept. 28 -- Pro Syrian militiamen attempted to seize control of Beirut by opening fire across the Green Line which divides the city into Christian and Moslem areas. Fighting went on for thirteen hours, killing fifty-two and wounding two-hundred.

The Raid was led by supporters of Elie Hobeika, former commander of the Lebanese Forces. Hobeika was removed from his position in January of this year and now has the backing of the Syrians. Their mission was to seize the Christian radio station and broadcast a takeover announcement allowing the Syrian soldiers now occupying West Beirut to move across the Green Line.

The takeover was prevented due to the intervention of the Lebanese Army units loyal to President Gemayel, a Christian himself. The Lebanese soldiers assisted the Christians, followers of Dr. Samir Geagea, presently head of the Lebanese



Forces Militia and the man who removed Hobeika, curtailing any possibility of an overthrow of President Gemayel's government.

Syria says, "It was an internal matter between supporters of Geagea and followers of Hobeika." They deny any involvement in the raid.

Hobeika, however, plans retaliation and will hold a press conference to announce his intentions.

The raid on the Christians occurred while the ten man

Cabinet, made up of five Moslems and five Christians, was discussing revisions in the political policy in Lebanon which would ensure parity among Moslems and Christians alike.

When asked what he felt about the continuing violence in Lebanon, a student replied, "They will never be able to settle their differences, the problems run too deep and there are too many different factions involved."

Reykjavik Ends in Deadlock Leaders Leave Empty Handed

by Margaret Nightingale
World Outlook Editor
The College Voice

The two day meeting of President Reagan and Soviet General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev in Reykjavik, Iceland ended abruptly on the evening of October 12 after the two superpower leaders failed to reach an agreement concerning Reagan's proposal for the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI).

In spite of surprising proposals made by the Soviets to eliminate all nuclear weapons in the next ten years, the arms reduction effort ended in a stalemate. Reagan's insistence on testing further development and deployment of "Star Wars" deterred the two leaders from reaching a consensus on the issue of space-based missile defense programs.

"America can't afford to take a chance on waking up in 10 years and finding that the Soviets had an advanced defense system and are ready to put in place more missiles and more modern missiles and we have no defense of our own, and our deterrence is obsolete because of the Soviet defense system," said Reagan in support of his Star Wars program.

Gorbachev, however, accused the United States of sacrificing a "historical chance" to sharply reduce the number of nuclear arsenals on both sides, and eventually rid the world of them entirely.

"We were on the verge of taking major, history-making decisions," said Gorbachev at his news conference in Iceland. "Since the American Administration is out to make a breakthrough via SDI to military

superiority, it even went so far as to burn the accords on which we already reached agreement."

Up until the deadlock on SDI, the two leaders were making sound progress on the issue of reducing strategic nuclear weapons. An agreement was proposed for reducing the number of long-range warheads and intermediate range missiles in Europe & Asia, progress was made in the area of nuclear testing. Although the issue of human rights was on the agenda, no major decisions were made before the SDI impasse brought the meeting to a halt.

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In connection with the dispute over SDI, conflict remains over the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty of 1972. Although both sides had tentatively agreed in Iceland to a ten-year extension of the treaty, there was disagreement over US and Soviet interpretation of what exactly it says.

The US interprets the treaty as allowing for the research, development, and testing of new technologies, yet no deployment. The Soviets insist, however, that research be confined to the laboratory, disallowing for any further development or testing. In response to this interpretation by Gorbachev, Reagan has announced that the Soviets are trying to "kill" SDI altogether.

The President is adamant that a missile-defense program such as Star Wars is crucial in order to insure against leaving the "West naked to a massive and sudden Soviet buildup in offensive and defensive weapons."

Critics have expressed concern over the Reykjavik collapse, especially at a time when national elections are so close. Reagan must face liberals who will have a stronger argument against SDI and the federal funding provided for it.

When asked what he thought of the two superpowers returning from Iceland empty-handed, Sophomore Dave Gran said, "I don't believe that Reagan should make any damaging concessions at a summit, but I don't think that SDI will better our position relative to the Soviets. It's a destabilizing weapon and can further destabilize the international environment."

Sophomore Jody Reuler expressed, on the other hand, his admiration for Reagan's firm standing against the Soviets. "Reagan did a good job in Iceland. Appeasement does not work against a communist country that is aggressive and expansionistic by nature."

Professor of History Michael Burlingame opposed Reagan's plan for Star Wars by saying, "Star Wars is unworkable. It can't be 100 percent effective so it's impossible to achieve what Reagan's main goal for SDI states: to make nuclear arsenals obsolete and impotent."

Whether the Reykjavik stalemate will seriously deter future relations between the superpowers remains to be seen in both leaders' willingness to negotiate, compromise, and most importantly try again.

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Coastie Concert

by Eric Carter
The College Voice

The United States Coast Guard Band performed the first of three fall concerts in Dana Hall on October 5, 1986. Paul Althouse, the Music Department Chairperson at Conn helped coordinate the series.

Althouse said that "Conn has always tried to support Coast Guard activities."

The first set of pieces, a collection of flute duets, was transcribed by Rebecca Noreen, a band member. She took Mozart's original opera and arranged it for a bassoon and flute duet. Noreen on bassoon and Barbara Devine on flute started their pieces pensively. By the third song, however, both performers confidently performed their sections in perfect unison.

Bill Stewart, the band's tympani drum player, performed three drum solos. The first two pieces were written by Vic Firth specifically for the tympani drum. Elliot Carter, a modern

composer, wrote the final solo. Each piece required the soloist to adjust the tuning pegs in the middle of each song. These interruptions distracted the listener and created an uncohesive feeling.

Karl Stamitz, a German composer born in 1745, wrote the final piece of the first half of the concert. Andy Sherwood played the clarinet part in the wind Quartet. Sherwood said that he played "for the experience and to bring joy to others."

After intermission the concert turned towards 2 more unusual pieces. A saxophone solo and another flute and bassoon duet both hinted at the atonal music that would follow the early 20th century compositions. Beth Hooker, one of maybe ten Conn College students present, described the works as "very modern."

The final piece, "Fantasia", composed by Gordon Jacob was written for the euphonium. This dramatic horn coupled with a piano support made a fitting finish to a night of unusual duets and solos.

Composer Competition

NEW YORK -- New York, NY, Oct. 14 -- The 35th annual BMI Awards to Student Composers competition will award \$15,000 to young composers, BMI President and CEO Frances W. Preston announced today. She added that the deadline for entering the 1986-87 competition, which is co-sponsored by the BMI Foundation, will be Tuesday, February 10, 1987.

BMI established the awards program in 1951 in cooperation with music educators and composers. The contest is designed to encourage young composers in the creation of concert music and, through cash prizes, to aid in continuing their musical education. The prizes, which vary from \$500 to \$2,500, are awarded at the discretion of the final judging panel. To date, 314 students, ranging in age from 8 to 25 have received BMI awards.

The 1986-87 competition is open to students who are citizens or permanent residents of the Western Hemisphere including North, Central and South American and Caribbean Island nations, and who are enrolled in accredited secondary schools, colleges or conservatories or are engaged in private study with recognized and established teachers anywhere in the world. Contestants must be under 26 years of age on December 31, 1986. There are no limitations as to instrumentation, stylistic consideration or length of work submitted. Students may enter no more than one composition, which need not have been composed during the year of entry. Compositions, which are entered under pseudonyms, are

considered preliminary panel of judges before going to a final panel. Last year's Preliminary Judges were Bruce Adolphe, Stephen Dembski and Nils Vigeland, with Ulysses Kay serving as Consultant. The Final Judges were Jan M. Bach, Larry T. Bell, Robert Black, Eleanor Cory, Donald Crockett, Mario Davidovsky, Donald Erb, Karel Husa, David Koblit, Vincent McDermott, Phillip Rhodes and Frank Wigglesworth with Ulysses Kay as Presiding Judge.

William Schuman and Milton Babbitt are chairman emeritus and chairman, respectively, of the judging panel. In the 1985-86 competition, 15 winners ranging in age from 18 to 25 were presented awards at a reception at the St. Regis-Sheraton Hotel in New York City on May 14, 1986.

Five previous winners of VMI Awards to Student Composers have won the coveted Pulitzer Prize in Music. They are George Crumb, Mario Davidovsky, Donald Martino, Joseph C. Schwanter and Charles Wuorinen.

Broadcast Music, Inc. is the largest music licensing organization in the world, representing over 82,000 writers and publishers. More than 50 percent of the music played on American radio stations in the past year is licensed by BMI. It also has reciprocal agreements with 39 foreign performing rights licensing organizations around the world, making its music available there and representing foreign music in this country. Each year BMI sponsors a variety of workshops and seminars designed to en-

courage participation in all areas of music.

Official rules and entry blanks for the 1986-87 competition are available from the Barbara A. Petersen, Director, BMI Awards to Student Composers, 320 West 57th Street, New York, NY 10019

Dance

Connecticut College Dance Department will host Stuart Pimsler Dance & Theater on Oct. 24th at 8:00pm in Crozier Williams East Studio.

The Company, originally from New York City, is currently based in Ohio. SPDT continues to tour nationally and has recently made its first appearance in Europe. The Company has been selected by various states' arts councils for their respective Artists-in-Education and Dance Touring Program including Ohio, North Carolina, Arizona, Nebraska, and Arts Midwest. SPDT has been the recipient of two Company Project Grants from the Ohio Arts Council as well as major "New Works" Commission for 1985-86.

Stuart Pimsler founded the company in 1978. He is an M.F.A. graduate of Connecticut College. He has been commissioned by numerous university departments and dance festivals to create work for their dance companies. Mr. Pimsler has been a teaching artist for the Lincoln Center Teaching Institute and the GLCA New York Arts Program and is currently on the dance faculty at Denison University.

Stuart Pimsler's work is rich with social commentary. Critics have said that "his sharp eye, ready wit and relentless satire make his dances strong and memorable." Also that his impeccable sense of timing, his intelligence and consciousness of detail are the underpinnings of his peculiarly well-thought-out theatrics."

The concert on the Connecticut College campus will feature a variety of works from the Company's current repertory including works by David Gordon and Daniel Nagrin. Admission is \$2.00 for students and \$4.00 General Admission. For more information please call 447-7702.

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by Michael Scheman
The College Voice

In the summer of '85, a New York Shakespeare Festival (NYSF) production of Charles Dickens' *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* opened at the Delacorte Theatre in Central Park.

The musical, written and composed by Rupert Holmes, presented a novel problem. In writing it, Dickens committed the one great ignoble act of his career: he died, thus leaving *Drood* with no conclusion. Holmes concocted the idea, (now the production's biggest selling point), of letting the audience decide who the murderer is.

When it first opened, the production became a huge hit, mostly because of its first rate cast. Delacorte's sport's free admission also did not hurt business either. Reopening on Broadway the following December, Joseph Papp (producer of the NYSF) added another hit to his list.

The cast included Tony winners George Rose, and Betty Buckley (*Eight is Enough*) in the lead roles, along with jazz singer Cleo Laine, as well as relative

newcomers Patti Cohenour (NYSF *La Boheme*) and Howard McGillan (Lincoln Center *Follies* concert).

...*Drood* was generally criticized for having a poorly constructed book, and a production which only comes alive in the last forty five minutes. However, this was one of those happy cases when the public ignored the critics and went on to make it a huge popular success. ...*Drood* later went on to win five Tonys, including the precious Best Musical award. All's well that ends well, right? Not exactly.

Beginning its eleventh month at the Imperial theatre, *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* is definitely showing signs of wear and tear. It is the job of the stage manager to keep a show running smoothly, and while the production is still fresh and fun-filled, there are other perpetrators at work who have done serious damage: the casting directors.

In recent months, with the exception of Rose and McGillan, all of the major roles have been vacated by their originators and replaced with chorus members or newcomers. This process is as old as live theatre, but has

rarely been as unsuccessful as in the case at the Imperial. The primary example is that of Miss Laine's replacement, Lorretta (M*A*S*H*)Swit.

With her many years of delighting television audiences with her saucy "Hot-Lips" Hoolihan, one would think she'd have the comic equipment to handle her role of the proprietress of a den of inequity. Not so. While her singing is quite adequate, it appears that Miss Swit was cast in order to use her name as drawing power.

She doesn't attempt to bring a sense of reality to her portrayal, much less find any humor in it.

Miss Swit's vanity far exceeds her devotion to the role, since certain lines referring to the deterioration of her looks have been excised or changed. This was done, it seems, to support Swit's refusal to sacrifice the accuracy of the character for her appearance. Overall, she turns in a very disappointing performance.

A chorus member by the name of Donna Murphy replaces Betty Buckley in the title role, reaching and even greater travesty. Murphy sounds like a

poor imitation of Buckley (a probable factor in casting) and reduces the role to a whiny adolescent in place of her predecessor's heroic Englishman. The most impressive musical moment in the show used to come with Buckley's resounding termination of the finale, "The Writing on the Wall", Murphy turns it into a garbled mess that one finds almost offensive.

Other new cast members include Karen Culliver replacing Miss Cohenour, Allison Fraser replacing Jana Schneider, and Tony Azito replacing Jerome Dempsey. They fare better, but still do not come up to snuff. Perhaps director Wilford Leach should pay a visit and do some fine tuning (and in some cases, major surgery). Without a top notch cast, *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* displays its flaws with flagrancy. Although Mr. Rose, Mr. McGillan, the ensemble and the orchestra remain wonderful, try waiting until the replacements are replaced before going to see it.

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Storyteller

NEW LONDON -- San Francisco storyteller Beatrice Bowles will tell "*Tales From the Dark Side*" at the Haines Room of Shain Library on Tuesday, October 28 at 7:30 p.m. with Education Department faculty and student storytellers.

The Seventh Annual Halloween Storytelling, a popular fall tradition on Connecticut campus, is sponsored by the Department of Education and the Connecticut Storytelling Center.

Other tellers are seniors Gina Sykes and Linda Christensen, Beth Hannah, Chair of the Education Department and Barbara Reed, who directs the Connecticut Storytelling Center, as well as teaching children's literature and storytelling for the

Education Department.

Beatrice Bowles will be the first storyteller outside the College community to participate in the Halloween storytelling.

"I'm delighted she can join us," says Barbara Reed. "Not only is she an elegant storyteller, but she has what I consider the right feeling about Halloween. She calls it the 'United States of Unconscious,' because of the way it can bring up into the light some of the demons and goblins that lurk in all of us."

So if you crave a little frightening refreshment on a Tuesday evening, come to the Haines Room on October 28 and hear some "*Tales From the Dark Side*". Admission is free and the public is invited.

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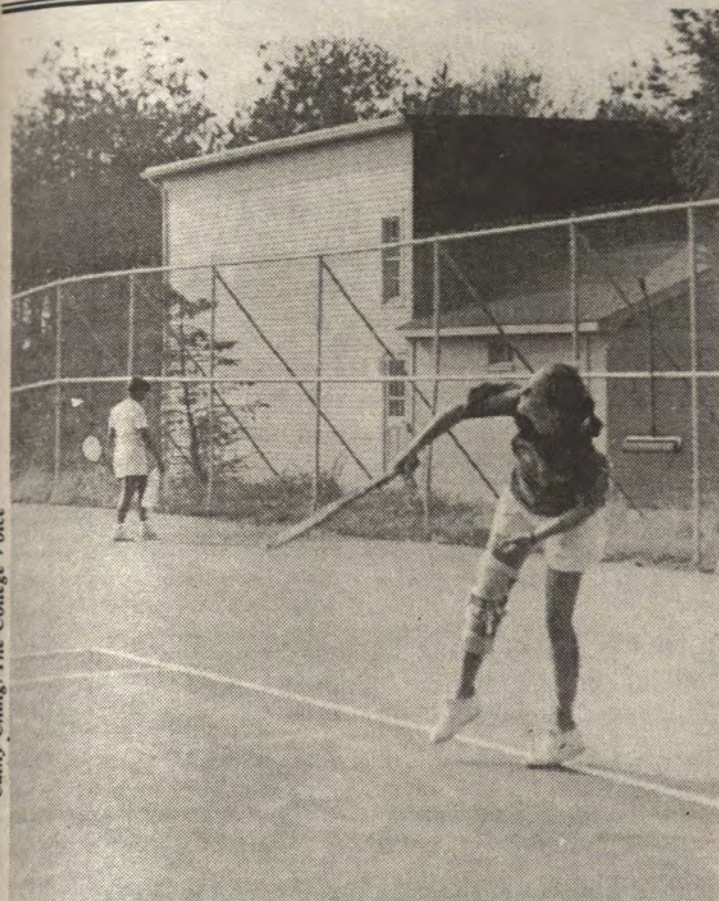
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Women's Tennis

by Brian Burke and Larry Friedman
The College Voice

The Connecticut College Women's Tennis Team notched a victory, winning its match against RIC on October 9. Earlier in the month, on October 1, the CONN team lost to Amherst following a victory over Fairfield on September 30.

The doubles team of Sophomore Laura Gabbert and Freshman Danielle O'Loughlin remain undefeated after the RIC match. The final score of the RIC match was 7-2, with a singles victories by Senior

Christine Turner, Gabbert, Sophomore Christie Cobb, O'Loughlin, and Junior Amy Michelman, along with doubles victories by Gabbert/O'Loughlin, and Turner/Casey Sims.

The match against Fairfield featured singles victories by Turner, Sophomore Holly Barkley, O'Loughlin, and Michelman, and doubles victories by Turner/Sims and Gabbert/O'Loughlin. The final score was 6-3.

With these CONN victories, the season record for the team is 2-4.

Men's Cross Country

by Greg Fleischmann
The College Voice

The Connecticut College Men's cross country team traveled to Bates College on Saturday, October 11th for the NESCAC Championships. This race turned out to be difficult for the Camels as many runners had times above their previous best.

CONN was led by Junior Geoff Perkins who ran the five mile course in a time of 27:50 and took 45th place. Next for CONN was senior Mark Corliss who ran a personal best of 30:24 for 71st place. Junior Jeff Ramsay was 72nd in 31:33, while Freshman Geoff Anderson and Sophomore Ed Suter were 74th and 75th respectively.

With the exception of Corliss, the Camel harriers did not show their true form at the NESCAC's, and will have a chance to do so in their final two meets of the season.



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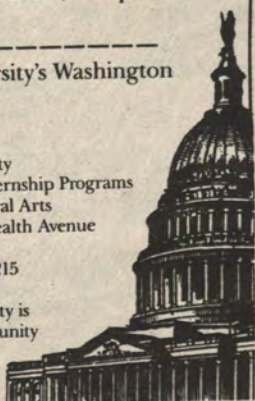
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Sports



The Sailing Team in Action

Sailing Best in New England

This past weekend was the high point so far this season for the Connecticut College Sailing Team.

The big boat team captured the MacMillan Trophy at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Giving CONN their first ever Atlantic Coast Championship.

Princeton finished a close second and number one ranked Navy was third.

Skipper Luke Wimer and tactician Bill Readers led a well-organized team effort by the crew. The members of the crew included Eric Burbank, Ward Blogget, Bill Bartel, Alen Mills, Geoff Wallace and Will Mayers. The crew will now go on to the Nationals in the spring, where they will race for the prestigious Kennedy Cup.

Curtis Hartman was another successful national qualifier for CONN. This weekend, he sailed to a second place finish at New England single handed championships, securing himself a trip to Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama in November.

Men's Soccer

A Lot to Be Proud Of

Assistant Coach Ed Mighton certainly had the call after CONN's 4-0 victory over Clark last Thursday (10/9). "This week is our season," Mighton said. "A win over Colby and we're in great shape."

CONN defeated Colby 1-0 and dominated Rhode Island College, 3-1, settling themselves seventh in the New England rankings -- great shape indeed.

Of the three games, both Head Coach Bill Lessing and Mighton point to the Clark and Colby games as the turning point of the season.

"There's a large difference between being 6-2 and 5-3 in this league," Lessing said. "As for the rank-

Peter Jonestone finished a respectable ninth for CONN, also at the New Englands.

CONN's women's team also had their most successful weekend to date. They won a third place out of 14 at the competitive Yale Intersection.

Pam Pinnel and crew Louise Van Order took third in the "A" division and Erin Gilligan and Rebecca Rogerman finished sixth in "B" division. This result qualifies them for the Victorian Urn (the women's Atlantic Coast Championships) and also gives them a good spot in the upcoming women's national ranking.

Last Saturday, the "Sailing World" coaches rankings were published and CONN was ranked first in New England and sixth nationally.

John Harvey ('84), coach of the CONN team, was very pleased with the ranking.

"I think it's great and we have the potential to go higher," Harvey said. "If we pull everything together in all the extra regattas we have qualified for, we can achieve the ultimate goal of a number one position nationally."

ing, we certainly earned it on the field."

Also, both the Clark and Colby wins were achieved at home, a seemingly tough feat for CONN this year. However, the monkey is definitely off the Camels back. Sophomore forward Jeff Geddes has scored four goals and has one assist in the three game span, followed by two goals and an assist for sophomore Todd Taplin.

In the past two weeks, CONN has completed five straight wins, bringing their record from 2-2 to 7-2.

"I feel great," Lessing said. "We've been playing real well and we have a lot to be proud of."

Volleyball Looks for Perfect Match

by Beth McKiernan
The College Voice

"We have a hard time putting together a good performance," said Amy Campbell, coach of the Connecticut College Volleyball Team. "Individually we're very strong, but different people play well at different times."

Campbell offered this reasoning in explaining her team's 4-9 record. She also pointed to the quality of the opponents.

"Our schedule is very tough, we play the top Division III teams in New England."

This was a significant factor in CONN's loss to Amherst last Tuesday. "They are a strong opponent," Campbell said. But she was quick to point out "This

was our best full match. It's the best we've played against a good opponent."

The Camels won the first two games of the match (15-12, 15-10), but despite a strong performance (116 attacks in the match) CONN lost their momentum and was defeated in the next three games.

Later in the week, CONN suffered two more losses to Salem State and Tufts.

"We didn't play particularly well," Campbell said. "Service errors were our downfall that day (CONN had 14 in one game) which is unusual for us. There's no way you can win giving the other team the ball 14 times."

Although the season is not yet over, their record has excluded the Camels from the post-season

NIAC tournament. However the team has maintained a positive attitude.

"The NIAC tournament would've been icing on the cake but it's not our end goal," Senior co-captain Eva Miller said. "Each game has its own goal," Campbell agreed with Miller's comments.

"The goal is not always to look for post-season play," Campbell said. "In the remaining games we have a lot to shoot for. We hope to play the perfect match."

Miller said the team is striving for two goals for the rest of the season.

"First, win or lose, we need to play consistently," Miller said. "Also, we must keep a positive attitude and continue to have fun."



Sports Shorts

by Marc LaPlace
Sports Editor
The College Voice

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK: THE CONN SAILING TEAM had a spectacular performance last weekend, capturing the Atlantic Coast Championship and a birth in the nationals next spring. CONN's sailors are now ranked first in New England and seventh nationally.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "We have the luck of the Irish," Said ED MIGHTON of England, assistant men's soccer coach, who has worn co-captain SEAN FAGAN's Irish claddagh ring during CONN's six-game winning streak.

Women's Soccer

by Doug Hobbs
The College Voice

The Connecticut College Women's Soccer Team has been involved in several tight matches this season. CONN's last four contests were no exceptions. Unfortunately for CONN, the final scores did not reflect the quality of their performances.

Against Salve Regina, CONN struggled to notch their fifth victory, the visiting Salve Regina finally surrendering in double overtime 1-0. Senior Co-Captain Renee Kempler assisted Freshman midfielder Ann Carberry on the only goal in the game.

Ken Kline, CONN's head coach, affirmed the superiority of CONN saying that "CONN thoroughly dominated Salve Regina. We were definitely a better team."

CONN's record four shutouts this season underlines Kline's assertion that "CONN is very strong defensively."

CONN travelled to Worcester, MA, to face Clark, who is ranked ninth in Division III New England and undefeated. CONN "started off well, attacking and creating opportunities in the first 25 minutes of the first

half," according to Kline.

The aggressive Clark squad forged its own attacks, striking twice within one minute to gain a 2-0 advantage. Clark's two first half goals stood up, CONN succumbing to Clark 2-0.

CONN battled Trinity in front of a large, loud parents' weekend crowd in Hartford. Trinity breeched the superb CONN defense for a goal with just 20 minutes remaining in the game. Trinity held on for the win, 1-0.

Kline spoke proudly of his team, saying that "CONN played well and was a little more in control of the game than Trinity. We had more shots."

Last Tuesday, against an extremely talented Williams team -- ranked third in Division III New England and 17th in Division III nationally, CONN led 1-0 at halftime.

"We played a very fine first half," Kline said. "Williams started to gain more control of the game in the second half."

The visiting Williams bunch scored twice in the second half to beat CONN 2-1. Freshman midfielder Stacy Larrenaga chalked up CONN's only goal.

CONN's record now stands at five wins and five losses.

Cross Country

by Larry Friedman
The College Voice

The Connecticut College Women's Cross Country Team finished sixth in a field of eleven teams at the NESCAC Championships, held October 11, at Tufts.

"It was the best we'd run in this meet," Ned Bishop, coach of the team said. "Last year we finished eighth. The girls didn't run poorly, they just didn't meet their expectations. We are improving, even if people were disappointed in themselves. When we run these teams again, I think we'll improve."

The top finishers for CONN were Sophomore Maria Gluch, who finished 15th with a time of

19:59, Senior Ripley Greppin, who finished 20th with a time of 20:17, and Freshman Betsy Long, who finished 24th with a time of 20:23.

In two previous meets, CONN finished third out of a field of thirteen in the Rhode Island Invitational on September 27. At the CONN Invitational on October 4, CONN ran fourth out of eleven teams. Three runners, Juniors Betsy Cottrell, and Jean Whalen, and Long, could not run due to injuries.

Bishop was pleased the team did as well as it did in that meet, despite the handicap.

"The people who ran, ran very well. We have good depth. To have had injuries like that this time last year would have been disastrous."